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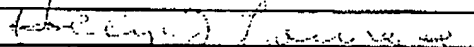
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Filed: June 25, 2003 : Examiner: Eric COMPTON

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Response is filed in response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2006.

The **Amendments to the Specification**: None.

The **Amendments to the Claims** section begins on page 2 of this Response and any amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims included therein.

The **Amendments to the Drawings**: None.

The **Remarks/Arguments** section begins on page 5 of this Response.

The **Conclusion** section begins on page 9 of this Response.